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Attached is the Response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2006 for the referenced patent application.

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Applicants: Cengiz Esmersoy, Brian Clark

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